

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING COMMISSION



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MEETING AGENDA for March 15, 2016

Meeting Time: 4:00 PM

**Hearing Room, 2nd Floor City Hall
210 Main Street (Note Different Location)
Northampton, MA**

- 1. Meeting Called to Order**
 - a. Announcement of audio/video recording
- 2. Members present and absent / Introductions**
- 3. Public comment**
- 4. Election of Vice-Chair**

Due to vacancy caused by Councilor Klein leaving the Commission.
- 5. Reports**
 - a. Approval of minutes for December 15, 2015 and November 17, 2015
(No meetings were held in January 2016 or February 2016.)
 - b. Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee update
 - c. Updates from DPW, Planning and other departments
- 6. Announcements & Presentations**
- 7. Requests, Recommendations & Appointments**
 - a. Chamber of Commerce request to close the Strong Avenue Parking Lot from Friday April 29, 2016 to Saturday April 30, 2016.
 - b. Review of study and data gathered by the DPW and possible vote on ranking of Traffic Calming Application #25: North Main St, Florence.
 - c. Review of study and data gathered by the DPW and possible vote on ranking of Traffic Calming Application #27: Nonotuck St / Elm St.
 - d. Review of study and data gathered by the DPW and possible vote on ranking of Traffic Calming Application #29: Lincoln Ave.

8. Recommendations & Appointments

- a. Nomination/appointment of Todd Ford (78 Fern St, Florence) to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee (by Director Feiden).

9. Resolutions, Orders & Ordinances

- a. An Ordinance Relative to Parking Near the Police Station on Center Street - For the purpose of removing the current spot adjacent the Police Station driveway, currently a 15 minute space, and making the next space over a 15 minute space.
- b. An ordinance to amend §312-113(c) "Schedule XII: Stop and Yield Intersections" to add a yield sign at Venturers Field Road at the intersection of Henry Street and Montview Ave.
- c. An ordinance to amend §312-104 "Schedule III: Limited-Time Parking " to establish two one-hour parking spaces in Florence on Main St, on the southerly side, near Chestnut St.

10. Discussion Items / Other

- a. Traffic issues near Northampton High School.
- b. Expanding the bus stop in front of the Academy of Music by removing parking spot(s).
- c. Moving the bus stop between Masonic St and State St to the intersection with Masonic St.
- d. Question of the addition of a stop sign on Maple St at the intersection of Maple St and Nonotuck St and review of DPW analysis.
- e. Question of the addition of a stop sign on Henry St at the intersection of Henry St and Venture's Field Rd / Montview Ave and review of DPW analysis.
- f. South St bicycle and pedestrian improvements. Possible referral of issue for study to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee.

11. New Business

Reserved only for matters that the Chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed. However, when of a non-time-sensitive nature, unanticipated matters should be discussed at a future meeting.

12. Adjourn